A TRUMPET Sounded out of ZION:

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Warning to all the Inhabitants of the Earth, but more especially to this Nation of England, which hath for a long time provoked the Lord, by Oppression and Cruelty, in Perſecuting his Sons and Daughters.

Which may ſerve as a Call to them, to turn from their Wickedneſs, before their Day be paſt, and their Sun be ſet, and they ſhut up in diſmal Darkneſs.

HEar all ye that are Stout-hearted, and give ear ye lofty Ones, who have long provoked the Lord, and have ſtrove againſt his true and faithful Witneſs that he hath placed in your Hearts, which hath many times let you ſee the Evil of your Wayes, but if you have not regarded; and the Lord hath alſo commanded many of his Sons and Daughters to warn you, of the Dreadful, Terrible Day that is coming upon you, but ſtill ye daily provoke the Lord, by laying heavy Burdens grievous to be

born, upon his People that fear and dread his holy Name, by adding Afflictions to their Bonds.

Therefore as a *Warning* unto you, this I send, both high and low, who Perſecute and Oppreſs the People that the Lord hath choſen, the Lord hath *beheld you*; the Lord hath *beheld you*, the Work which you are about to do, will be too hard for you; For who ever fought againſt the Lord and proſpered? ye Briers, ye Thorns, the Lord will burn you up and utterly conſume you, his Indignation is kindled againſt you, and in his fierce Wrath he will deſtroy you: Oh vain men! would you limit the Lord, or his good Spirit in his People, that they ſhould not be led thereby? if ye can ſtop the Sun that it ſhall not give Light to the world, or ſtay the Moon from going its Courſe, or number the Sands on the Sea-ſhore, then may you fight againſt the Lord and his People, and proſper. Therefore hearken ye ſtrong Oakes, and give ear ye tall Cedars, to the terrible, dreadful Sound, which is as the Sound of a *Trumpet*, and as a Warning unto you all, to break off from Wickedneſs, Oppreſſion, and Cruelty, by turning unto the Lord before your day be paſt, and the Sun go down upon you.

Oh! liſten ye great Ones of the Earth, and give good heed ye that are of low Degree, yea, all that put afar off the evil day, and cauſe the ſeat of Violence to come near, that lie upon Beds of Ivory, that ſtretch your ſelves upon your Couches, and eat the Lambs of the Flock, and the Calves out of the midſt of the ſtall; that chaunt to the ſound of the Vyal, and invent to your ſelves Inſtruments of Muſick like *David*; that drink Wine in Bowls, and annoint your ſelves with the

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chief Ointments, but are not grieved at all for the Affliction of the People of God, whose Afflictions are as *Joseph's*. Oh! the Indignation of the Lord is kindled, and by your Abominations he is highly provoked (for, is not in thee O *Nation* found the greatest *Abominations?*) *Ezek.* 8. 16. for you turn your backs on the Temple of the Lord, and you Worship the Sun towards the East; will not the Lord be avenged on such a People? yea, he will tread you in his anger, and trample you in his fury; for thus saith the Lord by the Prophet, *Their Blood shall be sprinkled upon my Garments, and I will stain all my Raymentes; for the Day of Vengeance is in my Heart, for I looked on my People and there was none to help,* and I wondred that there was none to *uphold*: Therefore with *mine own Arm will I save them*, and by mine *Almightiness* I will preserve them, and the Ungodly shall know that I am the Lord that made the Earth by my Power, and established the World by my Wisdom, and stretched out the Heavens by my Understanding; I will lead my People as I did *Joseph* like a Flock, I will be with them in their greatest straits, but my *Fury* shall burn as an *Oven*, and my *dreadful Hand* shall not spare, but I will be *avenged* of mine *Enemies*. Therefore tremble ye careless Ones, and be troubled you that are at ease, cloath your selves with Mourning, and take up a Lamentation ye proud Ones of the Earth; come down from the Mountains of Pride, ye high and lofty Ones, and abhor your selves in Dust and Ashes; Oh! return, return, make hast and speedily repent, before the Door of Mercy be shut, and you be sealed up in Perdition for ever, for the Lord hath long strove

with you, but ye have not turned unto him, but have rushed into Iniquity as a Horse into the Battle, and have erred from his pure Spirit, which hath often reproved you, which would have led you in the Way of Life, and the Path of Peace; and ye have hated the reproof of Instruction, which is the Way of Life, and have chose the Path that leads to the chambers of Death.

Oh *England, England!* the Sins of *Sodom*, and the Iniquities of *Gomorrah* are found in thee, *Pride* and *Fulness* of *Bread*; and now you Inhabitants are satisfying the Lusts of the Flesh, Eating, and Drinking, and rising up to Play, glorying in your shame, seeking to your selves honour, and to make all bow before you; building your Towers so strong, as if it should reach to Heaven, that so you might not again be scattered, and that you might exalt your own Horn: Ah! how have you forgot the Lord that hath done great things for you, and hath raised you when you were very low; surely it was not that you should dishonour Him, neither that you should have the Supremacy to rule over the Consciences of People, which alone is the Lord's right; for Him have we choose (whom ye Persecute) to be our God, even the Lord, the God of *Jacob*, and to Him we commit our Cause, for he alone is our defence; and this ye may be sure, that we are not of those that fight with Carnal Weapons, or to defend our selves with them, for we wrestle not against Flesh and Blood, but against spiritual Wickedness that rules in the Hearts of People, and with no other Weapons but those that are spiritual: Therefore hearken all ye

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that are erred from the Lord in your Hearts, and have forgot your Maker; For *all that forget God must be turned into Hell*, (Mark) *all that forget God*: Therefore this is a *Warning* to you all, and an Invitation of Love that you return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on you, and to the living God, that he may pardon you; for your Sins have reached to Heaven, and your Iniquities are come before Him.

Oh!! while you have yet a day return to the Lord before it be over, and time to you be no more, and your perpetual Destruction be sealed, for then you may *call* to the *Mountains*, and *cry* to the *Hills* to *cover you*, but from them there is no Salvation; for alone in the Lord Jehovah is Everlasting Strength, and Preservation for ever. Therefore be awakened ye that sleep, and arise from the dead, that ye may know Christ to be your Light, to lead you out of Darkness, which you are at this day found in, doing the Works thereof: Ah! the end will be bitter, Sorrow is coming upon you, and Pain as a Woman in travel, anguish and trouble of Spirit shall take hold of you, Fear and the Pit shall be your Portion, and everlasting Contempt shall come upon those who hate the Light, which the Lord hath given to be a leader, and to be salvation to the ends of the Earth; and all you that will not that he should reign in the Hearts of People, are Enemies to Him; therefore come unto Him that ye may be broken, for if he fall on you, you will be ground to powder; for it's He that saves from Sin, and appeaseth the Fathers Wrath, and reconciles lost man to God, who is come a Light into the World, that all men through Him might believe and be saved; in whom

whom none can believe but they that come to know him to be the *Author* of their *Faith*; for he is the *Author and the Finisher*, the *First* and the *Last*, which was *dead* and is *alive*, and *lives for evermore*. Oh! come unto him that you may know him, to blot out your Iniquities, and your Sins out of his remembrance; but if ye persist and go on in Cruelty against the Lord and his People, then he will make a short work with you: Ah! did ever a Nation Sin against the Lord as this Nation? or hath the like Mercies been bestowed upon any People, as the People of this Land? and yet have not returned unto the Lord: the King of *Nineveh* will rise up in Judgement against you, who came down from his Throne, and humbled himself at the Preaching of Repentance by *Jonah*, and the Lord did forgive him, and did divert the Judgement that it came not on his People.

Therefore *Repent, Repent*, this is my *Cry*, for *Woe, Woe* and *Misery* will certainly overtake you; for the Lord hath looked for Mercy, but behold Oppression, for Bowels of Pity, but behold Hard-heartedness and Cruelty; you multiply your Iniquities, and Cruelty greatly abounds, and *Cain's* Spirit you are led by; for ye are casting into Holes and Prisons those that fear the Lord, and number them amongst Transgressors; Oh! How is *Justice fallen in the Streets*, and *Equity hath no place*? and yet called a Christian Nation: but this be sure, you want a Christian Spirit, your Sacrifice is as *Cain's*, and your Tears and Prayers as *Esau's*, and the Lord hath no respect unto them, but will spread them as dung on your faces, for it's Truth the Lord requires, and alone in that is he Worshipped.

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Therefore hear all ye that drink New-wine with a Song, ye ſhall mourn and languiſh, and the merry in heart ſhall ſigh, the mirth of the Tabret ſhall ceaſe, the noiſe of them that rejoice (and not in the Lord) ſhall end in mourning, and the Joy of the Harper ſhall be turned into Sorrow; Oh! the Land is full of bloody Cryes, the Cities are full of Violence, the upright and thoſe that fear the Lord, and dread his holy Name, are daily made a prey upon, and are accounted as Sheep for the ſlaughter, for no other thing, but as concerning the Law of their God. Oh! for theſe things will the Lord viſit you with Plagues, as he did *Pharaoh* King of *Egypt*, yea, Plague after Plague, and perplexity of Spirit ſhall be upon you, till you let the true *Iſrael* go free to Worſhip the living God.

And this lay upon me, to warn you while you have a day to return to the Lord, before he cut you off in his ſore diſpleaſure; and thus far have I cleared my Conſcience as concerning you, whether you hear or forbear.

By a Lover of Truth and all that walk therein; called
THOMAS GREEN,
in ſcorn a Quaker.

The 11th. day of the 10th. Month, 1662.

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